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2. [redacted] Mrs. Fogut, in the office of Representative J. Irving Whalley (R., Pa.), called and asked if we could give her information on the number of Agency employees and the size of the Agency's budget. It developed that Mrs. Fogut wanted this information for a constituent. I advised her that we were precluded under the law from disclosing these figures and she said she understood. I did send her, however, a copy of the pamphlet "The Central Intelligence Agency."

3. [redacted] [redacted] called to say that Colonel Leo Gary, in the office of the Secretary of Defense, had called him and asked which members of the Congress have been briefed by the Agency on OXCART. I gave this information to [redacted] and then confirmed this information in a conversation with Gary's office following questions which they had raised [redacted]

4. [redacted] Colonel Hartell, on the Senate Preparedness Subcommittee staff, called and said he would like to visit the Agency, as Jim Kendall of the Subcommittee staff had previously suggested, to view the film "Silvery Dust." He was quite anxious to have the viewing this afternoon indicating that he was tied up most of next week. I told him I would look into it but I could make no promises for today. I propose to discuss this further with Mr. Kendall before making definite arrangements on this.

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25X1 b. [] In response to a request from
Colonel Roger Carter, Legislative Affairs, DOD, for an Agency
estimate of hard currency assets held by Cuba at the current
time and at the end of 1961, advised him, after checking with
25X1 [] that no estimate is available as to the assets
held at the end of 1961 or the current holdings.

The last figure available to Colonel Carter was \$144,000,000
gross exchange holdings as of 31 December 1960. He was advised
that the International Monetary Fund reporting on the Bank of Cuba
indicated \$133,000,000 gross exchange holdings as of 31 January
1961. The information available on Cuban foreign trade during
1961 would indicate no change in the gross exchange holdings
would have occurred from that activity alone but that during 1960,
a year in which Cuban holdings dropped by \$107,000,000, a favorable
foreign trade balance was also indicated for Cuba. If the unknown
factors are still at work which caused the previous drop in foreign
exchange holdings, however, the present balance could well be zero
or close to zero. Our position at the moment is that the figure for
the 1961 and current gross exchange holdings is unknown.

s/ John S. Warner

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